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DETAILED ACTION

Interference No. 104587 has been resolved.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

- 1. Pages 7-8 of the specification indicates that Figures 7-8 are present. There are not Figures 7-8 in the file. Applicant is requested to remove all references to Figures 7 and 8 on pages 7-8 and throughout the specification.
- 2. Applicant is requested to undae the first line of the specification to include 08/417174.
 - 3. The Brief Description of the Drawings for Figure 4 needs a SEQ ID No. .

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex* parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO**MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sheela J Huff whose telephone number is 703-305-7866. The examiner can normally be reached on M,Th 5:30 am-2:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony Caputa can be reached on 703-308-3995. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-

308-4242 for regular communications and 703-308-4242 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1235.

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Primary Examiner Art Unit 1642

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